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## EDUCATION

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<b>American University</b> Ph.D. in Economics <i>Committee: Nathan Larson (chair), Austin Davis, Maria Caballero Sanchez</i>	<i>Aug. 2020 – present</i>
<b>Universitat Autònoma de Barcelona</b> <i>M.S. in Economics, Minor in Public Policy</i>	<i>2017</i>
<b>University of California, Los Angeles</b> <i>B.A. in Economics, Minor in Arabic</i>	<i>2016</i>

## PUBLICATIONS

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“Impact of political risk on emerging market risk premiums and risk adjusted returns,” ***Research in International Business and Finance***, Elsevier, vol. 73(PA), with Ralph Sonenshine

## WORKING PAPERS

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“Refugee Immigration and Natives’ Fertility,” ***CEPR Discussion Paper*** with Cevat Giray Aksoy and Berkay Ozcan  
“Refugees and Access to Maternal Health Care Resources: Evidence from Turkey” (job market paper)

## WORKS IN PROGRESS

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“Do Migrants and Natives Differ in Health Care Usage? Evidence from Venezuelan Refugees in Colombia” with Sebastian Bauhoff and Sofia Castro Vargas  
“The Impact of Remittances on Household Consumption: Evidence from Jordan”  
“Declining Terms of Trade after Experiencing Trade Marginalization: Global Evidence from 1982 to 2020” with Bernhard Gunter and Eduardo Lederman Rawet

## PROFESSIONAL EXPERIENCE

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<b>World Bank</b> , Consultant, WDR 2026–Artificial Intelligence for Development	<i>Apr. 2025 – present</i>
- Duty Station: Washington D.C.	
<b>InterAmerican Development Bank</b> , Summer Intern, Health Economics	<i>Jun. 2024 – Aug. 2024</i>
- Duty Station: Washington D.C.	
<b>World Bank</b> , Consultant, Health Financing	<i>Mar. 2022 – Jun. 2023</i>
- Duty Station: Washington D.C.	
<b>World Bank</b> , Consultant, Poverty & Equity	<i>Mar. 2020 – Jun. 2022</i>
- Duty Station: Beirut, Lebanon	
<b>Siren Associates</b> , Data Management Officer	<i>Mar. – Dec. 2020</i>
<b>Lebanese American University</b> , Junior Researcher	<i>Jul. – Dec. 2019</i>
<b>Wageningen University</b> (Development Economics Group), Research Associate	<i>Feb. – Jun. 2019</i>
- Duty Station: Freetown, Sierra Leone	
<b>Guiness Atkinson Asset Management</b> , Analyst	<i>Feb. 2018 – Feb. 2019</i>
<b>United Nations Environment Programme</b> , Intern	<i>Jun. – Sep. 2017</i>
<b>American University</b> , Teaching and Research Assistant	

## TEACHING EXPERIENCE

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<b>Adjunct Professor</b> , Catholic University of America	<i>Fall 2023-present</i>
Econ 241: Intermediate Macroeconomics	<i>Fall 2023 &amp; 2024</i>
<b>Teaching Assistant</b> , American University	<i>Fall 2021-present</i>
Econ 361: Economic Development	<i>Fall 2023 &amp; Spring 2024</i>
Econ 574: Economics of Antitrust & Regulation	<i>Spring 2023</i>
Econ 322: Applied Econometrics I (taught STATA labs)	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 624: Applied Econometrics II (taught STATA labs)	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 680: Economics MA Capstone Seminar	<i>Fall 2022 &amp; Spring 2023</i>
Econ 600: Microeconomics	<i>Fall 2022</i>
Econ 200: Microeconomics	<i>Fall 2021 &amp; Spring 2022</i>

## GRANTS AND FELLOWSHIPS

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J-PAL's MENA Scholars Fellowship	<i>Sept. 2024-present</i>
Student Travel Grant, Economics Department, American University	<i>2023</i>
Student Travel Grant, College of Arts and Sciences, American University	<i>2023</i>

## SCHOLARSHIPS AND AWARDS

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Merit Graduate Assistantship & Fellowship, American University	<i>2020 – Present</i>
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## PRESENTATIONS AND CONFERENCES

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Towson International Development Economics Symposium, Baltimore (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
PAA Annual Meeting, Washington D.C. (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
EEA Annual Meeting, New York (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
AEA/ASSA Annual Meeting, San Francisco (Presenter)	<i>2025</i>
CEMIR Junior Economist Workshop on Migration Research, Munich, Germany (Presenter)	<i>2024</i>
Washington Area Development Economics Symposium (Presenter)	<i>2024</i>
Southern Economic Association, 93rd Annual Meeting, New Orleans (Presenter)	<i>2023</i>
Transitions to Renewable Energy and Sustainable Prosperity in Lebanon	<i>2019</i>

## SKILLS

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Computer: STATA, SPSS, Mathematica, ODK Collect, Kobo Toolbox, Microsoft Office, L<sup>A</sup>T<sub>E</sub>X  
Languages: English (fluent), Arabic (fluent), Spanish (intermediate)

## REFERENCES

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